THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) It has been planned to procure new EMU coaches for replacement of existing over-aged EMU stock and to meet the requirement of coaches on account of additional suburban services in Mumbai area.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) and (e) Does not arise.

New railway station in Mumbai

418. SHRI SANJAY NIRUPAM: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any proposal to set up a new railway station in Western Zone of Mumbai, especially between Andheri and Goregaon, has been received;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) Government's response thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA): (a) to (c) Yes, Sir. It is proposed to construct a new suburban railway station at Oshiwara between Jogeshwari and Goregaon.

This work has been proposed as a part of the consolidated estimate for Mumbai Urban Transport Project and is being processed for sanction.

The work of construction of new station at Oshiwara has been proposed at a cost of Rs. 6 crores. The cost will be shared between Government of Maharashtra and Indian Railways on 50-50 basis.

The said station project is likely to be completed by March, 2006, subject to availability of funds.

Damage to Railway properties by rains in Mumbai

419. SHRI SANJAY NIRUPAM: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of damage to the Railway properties after the recent heavy rains in Mumbai; and

(b) the number of services of Western Railway terminated because of this?

THE MINISTER OF STATE INTHE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA): (a) Details of damage to the Railway properties after the heavy rains in Mumbai on 26.06.2002 are as under:

Western Railway:

(i) Arch bridge No. 144 (3x12.2m) at km 99/24-26 between Palghar & Boisar had collapsed.

(ii) Wing wall of bridge No. 203 collapsed.

(iii) Sprandral wall of bridge No. 223 was damaged.

(iv) Minor breaches at two locations between stations Kelve Road and Sanjan on Virar-Surat section.

(v) Signalling equipment like point machine, track circuiting equipment and signalling cables were damaged in Mumbai area. Besides OFC cable & associated equipment were damaged near Arch Bridge No. 144 which had collapsed.

(vi) Minor damages were also caused to the ovearhead Electrical Traction Equipment.

Central Railways:

(i) Minor damages in Kalyan-Lonavala section at km 59/3-8 (Up & Dn line), km 62/13-14 (Up&Dn line) & km 68/17-18 (Dn-line) and in Kalyan-Igatpuri section at km 78/10-3 (Up-line) due to wash away of ballast/earth from Railway track.

(ii)The point machine and impedance bonds were also damaged at Kalyan and Ambemath stations.

(b) During 26.06.2002 to 09.07.2002, details to train services affected in Western Railway are as under;

Fully cancelled—190 Mail/Express trains & 366 Passenger trains;.

Partly cancelled—181 Mail/Express trains & 29 Passenger trains.

Diverted—153 Mail/Express trains.